

THE PROVIDENCE ATHENAEUM LIBRARY POLICY

The library offers several categories of membership, including Household, Individual, Special Friend, College Student, and Six-month Introductory/Gift Memberships. Household, Special Friend, and Introductory/Gift Memberships include all persons living in the same household and whose names appear on the subscriber application.

The library extends borrowing privileges to faculty, staff and students of Rhode Island School of Design. The Providence Athenaeum is a member of CRIARL and honors the CRIARL membership card.

Privileges of Membership:

1. Borrowing privileges
2. Access to materials through ILL
3. In-house use of Special Collections by appointment
4. Quarterly newsletters
5. Program announcements
6. Discounted program fees (if charged)
7. Votes at Annual Meeting for Library Directors and bylaw changes
8. Reference services/ Reader's advisor services
9. Story hours and children's programs
10. Books by mail
11. Acquisition requests

Non-Members:

1. Use of all collections in-house
2. In-house use of Special Collections by appointment
3. Reference services
4. May attend programs open to the public